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WE return thanks to Mr. John TERY ELTH STEVENS of the United States Battleship, Kentucky, for a copy of the Celombo, Ceylon Standard of January 14, 1901. The battle ship is enroute to Hong Kong, China.

Mr. John E. Errs. author of the "Jim Crow Car" bill, states that he purpose of taking away from Negroes will not be a candidate for reelection only their right to vote. to the legislature of Virginia. He Prominent Democratic journals,

Whether or not he has consulted Mr. JOHN T Suchus is an open question. But Brother Errs, who now holds one job in the City Hall wants another in bad idea for the Oity Gauger and the Sheriff to swap places.

Weil, Brother Epps has done us all that he would be a candidate for the principles. other world, aiming for heaven, and of sourse landing in the other place.

Tun administration has at last "shown its hand" in its dealings with Cubs. Failing to secure the promul- Va., Disparce of the 28d instant: gation of such a Cuban Constitution as it desired, the Senate Committee on Relations with Oubs has adopted a declaration which virtually pullifies the stitutional convention, and one Vir Trainer amendment, guaranteeing absolute independence to Cuba.

The long and short of the whole matter seems to be that the same unseen mersed in a big law practice which influences which precipitated a war preciudes all discussion of politics or with the Filipinos are at work to produce a like result with the Cubans. If the declaration is accepted, the

United States army will be temporarily withdrawn only to be permanently replaced and if the declaration is not accepted, the army will remain.

We believe that the present Cuban leaders will be displaced, the United States authorities set up a government of its own liking and similar conditions to those existing in the Phinippines will follow.

Our professions of disinterested sympathy will ge for naught and Cuba, like Guam, Perto Rica and the Hawaiian Islands will become one of the colonies of the United States of America. We hope that we may be agreeable disappointed.

AN AUT OF DESPERATION.

In the face of a reduced assessment of taxable property and prodded into action by the citizens of suburban towns of H nrico, the Common Couneil of Richmond city has shown is ut ter disregard of all safe rules of finance a half million dollars.

This was done in abedience to publis elamor and there is not a member of the Finance Committee, who is at burden will ultimately result in the eity's undoing.

When we noted the setion and read set of desperation. There has been no tion is terse and to the point and in retrementment whatever, there has keeping with the high-standard which

yet the appropriations for one year

mount to \$1,617,748 45. No colored men are in the City Coun sil though seven were elected to that body and were ignominiously counted out. The people of Richmond will pay the penalty and the result of the folly will be seen many years in the future.

MR WHITE'S FAREWELL

Twe farewell speech of Congressman GRORGE H. WRITE of North Carolina has attracted the attention of the nation and won deserved commenda tion from lovers of fair-play every

Mr. WHITE announced that the race in the halls of congress would come again. He spoke truly. When the American people tire of their fetish worship of wrong and toleration of evil, we will some again.

It is seldom that a representative solored man attains national prominence and remains true to his people. At no time during his remarkable career has this Afro-American congressman faltered in his duty or lost faith in his people.

He retires to private life, praised alike by young and old and approved by a vast constituency, which is ailenced but not humbled, wronged but not degraded.

Oh, yes, Congressman White We shall come again!

NOT TO DISFRANGRISE US.

It is reported that Gov. J. Hogs TYLER so reluctantly affixed his signa ture to the bill providing for the hold ing of a constitutional convention that when he completed the act, he invol untary exclaimed "God save common wealth I"

This convention has been ordered or the avowed purpose of violating the FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT to the CON STITUTION of the UNITED STATES which Gov. TYLER and every other member of that body are sworn to maintain and support. In the blind effort to strike down the citizen of color, these prejudiced Virginians are endangering the safety of the commonwealth itself. Article XV of the Federal Constitution reads:

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or by any state, on account of race color, or previous condition of servitude The congress shall have the power to enores this article by appropriate legis-

We do not need any Supreme Court of the Uniter States to construe that provision for us. It is specific and plain. A child can understand it.

Every citizen, white and colored, is sworn to respect that provision of the

And yet demagogues are boldly announcing that they are about to hold a constitutional convention for the

wants te be Sheriff of the City of Rich- presumed to be of character and of openly advocating the doctrine to disfranchise no white man, but disqualify all colored ones.

Is it at all surprising then that in the face of such degeneracy, the Chief the same building. It wouldn't be a Executive of this state should exclaim God save the commonwealth?"

But there are other white men who are equally astounded at the apparent the harm he could and we had hoped disregard of law and contempt for

We have noted some soul-stirring articles from the former slave-holding white men, who were reared by black mammies, but nothing has stirred us more than the following extract from the news-columns of the Richmond,

"Ex-Governor Charles T O'Ferrall has been mentioned in complimentary terms as a valuable man for the cor for him. as a matter of fact however Colonel O'Ferrall hasn's given a single thought to such a thing. He is imsemi-political things during business hours. Among close friends the ex-Governor is willing to gossip about public affairs, but the doors of his law

office are closed against such talk.
Colenel O'Ferrall told an intimate acquaintance a day or so ago that persenally he was an anti-302 vention man, and that he thought any constitutional reforms which seemed needed should be submitted to the people in the shape of amendments, as existing Constitution permits. Hthinks the suffrage question an ex ceadingly designte one, and is of the opinion that a sweeping off ort to disranchise the N gro might boomerang. Moreover, he believes in giving deserving Negroes a show, es pecially as white men brought the Echiopions here. Furthermore, this is a very democratic country and too much severity along the disfranchising line would be utterly inconsistent with republican institutions.

In Colonel O'Ferrall's opinion, the educational qualification is a risky thing, too. During the war, said he, i had many menia my command who had to sign their names with a cross mark, but when it came to doing their duty and fighting-or good, sound sense, either, for that masser-they were fully the equals, if not superiors, of some college bred fellows I have seen. To deprive these men of their

vot a would be utterly wrong.
'No sir,' continued the ex Governor. by an increased appropriation of over 'I would rather see all the Negroes in the state voting than have one good white man disfranchised.'

These sentiments dropped from Colonel O'Ferrall's lips in a very hasty and informal conversation with a all posted, but what knows that this friend and by no means belong to Sommerville Journal. that class of newspaper 'interviews' which are prepared beforehand."

Ex-Governor O'FERSALL stated the the budget, we realized that it was an whole case in a aut-shell. His posi-

day : he is making history for his chil-

ren to-morrow. The ex-Governor is truly magnetic, nd some day when prejudice has had ts sway, and reason seeks its throne he will be called to lead the hosts of true democracy.

And it continues:

The allusion which The Times made what onexpected sentiment in the Virginis Democracy against wholesale it franchisement of the Negro, has created interest and excited general comment. Hen Willim A Jones, the Congressman from the First Virginia District, is the latest public man to express his concurrence in such views.
Mr Jones is quoted as saying that
he is opposed to any election law that
will disqualify a single white voter in the State, and that the respectable ele-ment of Negroes should not be denied

the right of suffice that is given by
the Constitution of the United States
He hinks the chief object of a convention should be to make an up to
date Constitution and believing tha
the right of suffice is very little abused, he sees no necessity for sweep-ing changes in the organic law. M . Jones is further quoted as say-

"I wish to state a ain that I believe that any wholesale disfranchisement of the Negro or other classes will b latrimental to the State, and I am opposed to any such action. Of course, the victous should not be allowed to ote A remedy can easily be reund er this.

Whatever the result of the Constitutional Convention should be the instrument submitted to the people. They hould be the judges of what they want in this most important matter.

Couple with this the declaration made to us by a prominent white Virginia Democrat that the Negro will not be disfranchised by the Constitutional Convention and the situation is decid dy interes ing.

The latter had given to us, however the reason of reasons and that was the growing belief that the next Congress which will be overwhelmingly Republican will proceed to enforce the provision of the XIV A nendment for the reduction of representation in in those states only which have forfeited the right by the wholesale constitutional disfranchisement of the Negros within their borders
It is indeed a deplorable state of af-

fairs that thirty years after the war the Negro-haters should be in the saddie stirring up race-prejudice, mjuring business interests and retarding the ficancial growth of one of the most promising sections upon the face of the globe.

O, the pity of it!

That Was Too Much. He was patient in his losses, he was patient in his pain, He was patient when the maiden that he worshiped answered No.
But he went on like a trooper when he
ran to catch the train,
And found he'd have to wait fer it a



"Did you see that story about the man who got a needle in his arm while trying to kiss a girl?" he asked.
"No," she replied. And then added ferrently. "But, thank goodness, I never learned to sew!"-Answers.

The Poor Man. Fve an utter contempt for riches, mind For dollars, and bonds, and deeds. But, alas! my contempt is not the kind Familiarity breeds.

—Catholic Standard and Times.

Question of Quantity. "I see you got your wife that pear

necklace she wanted." "I thought you expected to get out of

it by insisting that pearls mean tears." "I did, but it didn't work." "Why not?"

"It was a question of quantity. She soon convinced me that a lack of pearls drummer whose salary was smaller meant more tears."-Chicago Post.

Insulted.

He-Darling, am I the first man you ever were engaged to? She (indignantly)-Sir! Do you think that I could live for 26 years middle ge. Rheumatism or gout strikes around where there were other men them, and then younger men take their without having a chance till you came places." along?-Chicago Times-Herald.

Decidedly Handicapped. Aunt Nancy-Think of studyin' to be doctor, eh? Don't you do it. Young Man-Why not, aunty?

Aunt Nancy-You ean't git no prac--N. Y. Weekly.

In Vain. "You didn't submit quietly to their officer, who had hurried to the scene as soon as the robbery was over.

"No!" gasped the victim. "I chewed that do?"-Chicago Tribune. Another Engagement Broken.

Tommy-My sister Ethel has lote of brouble with her teeth. Mr. Wappington-Does she? Tommy-Yes; she dropped 'em on the floor last week and broke 'em .-

Experience. Husband-It is a great pity that women are not eligible as income tax collectors.

Wife-Why? Husband-So many of them are ad been no reform. None is proposed and he always sets. He lives not for to-imirably qualified .- Harlem Life.

A L'EMPERANCE MONKEY

Offered a Drink of Whisky He Turns Disgust "dly Away and Is Decrated a vith a White Ribbon.

"I had the pleasure, some weeks of being on a steamer com ing up from the south. The saptain's young son had a monkey great pet, and we we're often enter tained with his funny pranks and astonished at his good sens 2. One day, after feeding him a number of things some one went to the bar and brough s glass of whisky. As soon a's the onkey saw it, with delight span kling in his eyes he put out both hand's to bring the glass to his lips; but as he smelled the contents he pushed the glass away with a plain look of disgust on his face. The men again tries to force him to drink. Finally some one brought a small tea roll, put it in the glass and when moist with spirits put It to the monkey's lips; but he turned his head from side to side to avoid the smell, with the same look of disgust as before.

"I then said: 'Gentlemen, I am sorry to see you torture that dumb brute You should have great respect for his very lofty principles. He evidently has more sense than nine-tenths of men, who ruin body and soul with the vile stuff. I call that monkey a temperance monkey, and will honor him

"Going to my stateroom, I brought out a piece of white ribbon, and mid



HE PUSHED THE GLASS AWAY. the monkey's neck. The young owner then marched his pet off in great

gles and triumph." This queer monkey, like the old-time jester, in the midst of his buffoonery threw out a strong bit of wisdom, remarks the Union Signal. Let us hope that the temperance lesson sank deep into the hearts of those present, and that all who wear the white ribbon may prove as resolute and firm in time of temptation as did this pet monkey.

A SIGNIFICANT FACT. seccessful Drummers and Especially Whisky and Wine Salesmen

Are Total Abstainers,

A recent number of Barrels and Bottles, an official organ of the retail liquor dealers, contains the following from a man who is on the road for a big New York firm of liquor importers: "Traveling men have to be good fellows, of course, and this involves usually a liberal amount of drinking, but you will probably be surprised when I into the flat directly across from ours tell you that the traveling men who used to be one of the best amateur drink the least are those who them- boxers in the state."-Chicago Timesselves sell liquors. Many of the whisky Herald. total abstainers, and there are as many others who make it a rule never to take a drink before five o'clock in the evening. This is simply one of the ne- be laughed at. it? Whatever I should do I would ressities of business. When I go to a place like Kansas City, for instance, I call during the day on a dozen liquor N. Y. Weekly. jobbers who import their wines and whiskies through my house. Suppose I made a practice of drinking with my customers. At each place where I call would probably take four or five drinks, and the result would be that before I had finished my day's work I would have to be dumped into a carriage and hauled back to the hotel. At gets inside, from the noise he makes every wholesale house where I call I am sure to be invited to drink. The invitation comes with as much certainty

as 'Good-morning," or 'How do you do?' "When I say that liquor salesmen are not, as a rule, drinkers, I must make one exception; that is the champagne salesman. It is his business to drink gives him money for it."" and drink hard; and the consequence is that while good champagne selesmen command good salaries they do not last long. The champagne salesman must introduce his brand of goods directly to the drinkers. He must not only see that it is for sale in the high-grade saloons, hotels and cafes, but he must see that the drinkers who visit these places learn to call for his particular brand. I never knew of a champagne than \$9,000 a year and expenses. The expenses usually amount to as much if not more than the salary. As a result, champagne salesmen are not old men. They usually break down and are forced to give up before they reach

Vice Crusade in Chicago The crusade against vice in Chicago continues to gather momentum, and disreputable places which have flourished without molestation for years have been thoroughly cleaned out, tice till ye git married, an' ye can't git says the Union Signal. The failure of married till ye git practice, that's why. saloonkeepers to comply with the midnight closing ordinance has been followed by immediate arrest, and it is said that the fines imposed will be so heavy as to leave no doubt of the gagging you, did you?" asked the seriousness of the intention to enforce the law. Mayor Harrison will advocate the enactment of an ordinance which will abolish private dinthe rag, of course, but what good did ing-rooms in restaurants, asserting that these are more dangerous to respectable young women than the basement dives.

> Italian Exposition in Berlin. Berlin is to have an Italian exposition in the zoological gardens. There will be imitation streets of Naples. Rome, Florence, Pompeil, Venice (with sanals), etc.

> Soldiers in Santo Domingo. When the government of Santo Doningo wants soldiers it simply sends out into the country districts and seize them .- Chicago Chronicle.

A WYOMING MINE FIRE Stubb-What are you doing with Penn-I am going to take them for

For the Liver.

Penn-Yes; for the liver I get every

A Prisoner.

She took her kodak from her side And critically she cast Her eye on me, then (snap!) she cried:

"This little pantomime.
Why, don't you know (I caught her eye
You had me all the time?"

CAME BY IT HONESTLY.

"I inherit my love for sleep."

"Father was a policeman once."

"My dear," said Mr. Sirius Barker,

that box of cigars you bought me

as resulted in great benefit. I want

to thank you for them more earnest-

"Did you enjoy them?"
"No. But I'm better off. They

made me realize what a terrible habit

smoking can become."-Washington

Proof of Affection.

"I have heard some doubts ex-

"I don't see how anybody could ex

press such a doubt," answered Sen-

ator Sorghum; "not after all the

money I have spent on my country

Work Ahead.

Bunko Bill-Do you know that there

not stand talking here. - Chicago

A Defent.

Discretion.

"Why have you given up practicing on the flute?"

"I understand the man who moved

No One Would Notice It.

Hunchback-Yes, I have plenty of

spare time; but what can I do with

Friend-Nonsense! You'd look as

well as anyone else on a bicycle.-

What Puzzled Her.

Mrs. Crimsonbeak - There's one

"Why, when he comes home late he

can't find the keyhole, but when he

he seems to find everything in the

How We Differ.

"In China," remarked the first, "

man who commits a crime often gets

"In this country," replied the sec

ond, "a man who commits a crime

may swear it on to another and give

him the laugh for it."-Chicago Post.

Two Excellent Reasons.

"Why did you lynch him?" we asked

This seemed reasonable, but again

'Why did you lynch the other man?"

"Because he wouldn't confess, con-

Too Moderate.

Uncle Abner-Seth ain't what I call

Uncle Hiram-Why, he never votes

Uncle Abner-Yes, but he's allua

willin' to admit that the country may

not be ruined if the other fellers get

Just the Right Term.

business again," remarked the com-

merchant. "He couldn't have chosen

a better term. He has settled down,

but he hasn't settled up."-Chicago

Spoke Before He Thought

"Some time," said Mr. Meekton's

wife, "I think I will have a chef. I

really believe that it is better to have

"Yes," answered Mr. Meekton, ab-

sent-mindedly; "it would be a good dea!

of a comfort to have somebody down

there who could be easily bossed."-

A Little Child Shall Lead Them.

he's an entirely different man now.

Jonesmith-What a change has come

a kitchen in charge of a male cook."

"He says he has settled down to

"He's hit it exactly!" exclaimed the

another to take his punishment and

thing about my husband I never could

Mrs. Yeast-And what's that?

room."-Yonkers Statesman.

in elections at one time or another."

"How so?"

Kansas City Times.

ly than I did at first."

oved your country."

-Washington Star.

Times-Herald.

"Well?"

understand

of the mob.

we asked:

"Well, he confessed."

arn him!"-Town Topics.

thick-and-thin party man.

in .- Brooklyn Life.

Washington Star.

mon friend.

Post.

anything but the regular ticket.

and her husband."

these digestive tablets?

now.-Chicago Daily News

T've got you, sir, at last!

"Unnecessary, dear," said I,

-Brooklyn Life.

liver?

Results in the Death of Thirty-six Stubb-Digestive tablets for the Workers.

norning. You know I am boarding FUTILE ATTEMPTS AT RESCUE.

> When It Was Found Impossible to Check the Flames the Mine Was Scaled Up and the Men Left to

Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 27.-The worst disaster in the history of coal mining in Wyoming since the Almy horror eight years ago, occurred at Diamondville Monday night. Thirty-six men men have perished in a fire which started in mine No. 1 of the Diamond-

ville Coal and Coke company.

The blaze was discovered shortly after the night shift commenced work. It is thought to have originated from a careless miner's lamp in the eil room. The flames made such progress that only one man escaped from the two entries in which it was confined. His name is John Anderson, and he was frightfully burned in running the genintlet of the flames. He was sud-denly confronted by a wall of fire and smoke, and, wrapping his head in an overcoat, he ran in the direction of the main entrance.

The first intimation the miners in the other entries had of the fire was when Anderson came rushing into the upper level, his clothing in flames. The alarm was sounded and hundreds of miners at work in the mines and on the outside rushed to the rescue of their imprisoned comrades. The fires had by this time made such progress that it was impossible to enter the rooms o flames. The entire night was spent in confining the fire to the two entries and yesterday it was necessary to seal them up to prevent the flames from spreading to other parts of the mine. This step was only decided upon after all hope of saving the lives of the men had been abandoned. Nothing could live five minutes in the fire which was increasing in flerceness

every minute. The plugging of the two entries will smother the fire, but it may be several days before the barricades can be removed and the chambers explored.

The scenes at the mouth of the mine during the night and day were heartpressed as to whether you really rending. Relatives and friends of the entombed miners rushed to the mine. frantically waving their hands rying to the mine officials and miners to save their dear ones. Of the men imprisoned in the workings only two are supposed to be Americans, the balance being Italians

and Finns. Nine of the men leave families. It was given out by Superintendent Thomas Sneddon and confirmed by are 76,000,000 people in this country? Green Goods George—I do, and at others familiar with the conditions that the lives of all the men were cereast 75,000,000 of them are waiting to tainly extinguished within three minbe fooled in some way. Come on, let's utes after the fire gained ascendency.

An additional tragedy followed the main one yesterday. Thomas Simpson, with his young son, who are among the victims, came to Diamondville from "When my daughter got married Alabama but six weeks ago, bringing we thought we would board with her his wife, in the hope that the change of climate would benefit her health. The shock of Monday night's tragedy "We got a late start, somehow, and was too great for Mrs. Simpson's delithey are boarding with us."-Chicago cate health and yesterday she died Thus every member of this family is

> SENATOR QUAY AT HARRISBURG. Members and Miners Agree on Bills

to Reform Mine Laws. Harrisburg, Feb. 27.—Senator Quay reached Harrisburg yesterday after-noon from Washington, his first apwas accompanied by his son, Richard R. Quay, of Sewickley. They went di-rect to the executive mansion, where they are the guests of Governor Stone The senator has recovered his health, and seems robust and vigorous. While here he will be active in support of the Pittsburg "ripper" bill and the Focht ballot reform measure.

A committee from the United Mine Workers and the senators and members from the anthracite and bituminous regions of Pennsylvania met in joint conference in Harrisburg yesterday and agreed upon several bills affecting the mining interests. The bills provide that all anthracite coal mining shall be paid for by weight at 2240 pounds to the ton; authorize the placing of check weighmen at each anthracite colliery, to be elected and maintained by the men; provide for the election of mine inspector by the people for the term of three years, at a salary of \$1,200 annually, and fix a penalty of \$500 or three months' imprisonment for violation of the semimonthly pay law.

Fatal Disobedience of Orders. Trenton, Feb. 23 .- One of the worst collisions in the history of the Amboy division of the Pennsylvania railroad occurred about 5:30 o'clock Thursday evening at Risling's siding, near Bordentown, and about eight miles south of Trenton. The "Nellie Bly" express, from New York for Atlantic City, collided with passenger train No. 330, running from Camden to Trenton. The total number of dead is 13, while about 30 were injured. Most of the victims were railroad laborers. Disobedience of orders caused the wreck.

Linbilities, \$181,080; Assets, \$20. New York, Feb. 27 .- Marcus L. Freeman, now secretary and treasurer of a fire proof construction company in this city, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court yesterday, placing his liabilities at \$181,-080, with assets of but \$20. The debts were incurred at La Crosse, Wis., between 1888 and 1891, and are unsecured. Freeman was at that time a member of the firm of M. A. Freeman & Co. The creditors are mainly banks.

Is Botha Suing For Peace? London, Feb. 27.-The Daily Chronicle this morning publishes, under reserve, a rumor that Lord Kitchener has met Gen. Louis Botha to arrange terms of the surrender of the Boers. and that an armistice of 24 hours was granted the Boer commandant general to enable him to consult with the other commandants. According to The Daily Chronicle the cabinet council yesterday considered this new turn of

OUR RELATIONS WITH CUBA. Senate Committee Proposes a Plan

to Avert an Extra Session. Washington, Feb. 26.-To avoid an over Jerseyman! He used to be one extra session of congress the senate committee on relation with Cuba yesof the most pompous, egotistic men] terday reported an amendment to the ever knew. He seemed to imagine that army appropriation bill, authorizing the president to leave the government of Cuba to its people provided the constitution of the island defines the future relations between its government and the United States on lines sugthere was nothing he did not know; but Billbrown-Yes; his little bey has just reached the question-asking age.-

gested in the amendment. This pro sition is declared to be a solution of the problem, satisfactory to all parties in the senate and to the president

The amendments agreed upon provide that Cuba shall make a permanent treaty with the United States, in sub-

stance as follows: "The government of Cuba shall never enter into any treaty or other compact with any foreign power or powers which will impair or tend to

impair the independence of Cuba. "Said government shall not assum or contract any public debt for which the ordinary revenues of the islands, after defraying the current expenses of government, shall be inadequate. "The government of Cuba consents that the United States may exercise

the right to intervene for the preservation of Cuban independence. "All acts of the United States in Cuba during its military occupancy thereof are ratified and validated, and all lawful rights acquired thereunder shall be maintained and protected. "The government of Cuba will execute, and as far as necessary extend, the plans already devised or other

the sanitation of the cities of the isl-"The Isle of Pines shall be omitted from the proposed constitutional boun-daries of Cuba, the title thereto being

plans to be mutually agreed upon, for

left to future adjustment by treaty. "To enable the United States to maintain independence of Cuba, and to protect the people thereof, as well as for its own defense, the government of Cuba will sell or lease to the United States lands necessary for coaling or naval stations at certain spec points, to be agreed upon with the president of the United States."

ALLEN ASSAILS SAMPSON

For Invisting on Social Qualifications For Navy Officers Washington, Feb. 27.-In the senate yesterday Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, se-versly arraigned Rear Admiral Sampson for some endorsements he is alleged to have made upon an application of Chief Gunner Charles Morgan, of the navy, for promotion to the grade of commissioned officer. Mr. Allen's denunciation of Admiral Sampson was

The admiral, in his "endorsement, speaks highly of Morgan as a saller, but opposes his application because:
"While it is true that these men are
selected from a large class of men of
very unusual ability, which distinguishes them as perhaps the protes-sional equals of their officers as far as their technical education stands, it is also true they are recruited from a class of men who have not had social advantages that are requisite for a

commissioned officer. Navy officers, while they may gree to some extent the force of the admiral's reasoning, deplore his deliver-ance, because of its effect on legisla-tion pending and to come before congress, affecting the officers in the ser-They believe that it defeats beyoud doubt Sampson's promotion to the grade of vice admiral, and ha mil probability the other rewards recommended by the president on account of the sea campaign in Cuban waters. But this is not regarded in the service as the chief result, for there is not much enthusiasm for the Santiage rewards, involving as they do the bumiliation of so many brave men whose work was not showy, but none the less important.

Alleged Attempted Bribery. Dover, Del., Feb. 27.—The commit-tees appointed last week by the house of representatives to investigate the allegations of Representative Walter M. Hearn, Democrat, that he had been offered \$2,000 to abs the joint caucus and induce another Democrat to remain out of the joint session of the legislature while the balloting for United States senator was progressing last Thursday, met yester-day, and Mr. Hearn swore that the man who attempted to bribe him was Representative Reese Layton, of Sussex county, an Addicks supporter. Layton denied the charge under eath and says Hearn was drunk the night

he charges the offer was made.

Vanderlip to Retire. Washington, Feb. 27.-The resignation of Hon. Frank A. Vanderlip, assistant secretary of the treasury, was announced at the department yesterday, to take effect upon the qualification of his successor, not later than March 8. It is Mr. Vanderlip's intention to sail for Europe soon, in order to make a study of financial and industrial affairs in England and on the continent. It is understood that upon his return he will become identified with a large western corporation. Miston E. Ailes, of Ohio, now Secretary Gage's private secretary, will preably succee Mr. Vanderlip.

Murderer Lynched, Body Cremated. Terre Haute, Ind., Feb. 27.-George Ward, 27 years old, colored, employe in the car works here, was arrested yesterday, and, according to the police, confessed having murdered Ida Finklestein, the school teacher who was found dying Monday evening in a grove outside the city. Subsequently a mob battered down the doors of the jail, took the prisoner out and hanged him to a railroad bridge. Then his dead body was placed in a huge bonfire and burned to ashes.

The Threat to Europe's Industries. London, Feb. 27.-The Daily Mail, in an alarmist editorial on the "Threatening aspect of the steel trade," says: The time has surely come to recognize that, in an era of the flercest and most unscrupulous competition, the community and the state must stand by the threatened trade, and, if mational efforts will not suffice, interestional resources must be invoked to keep in Europe trade that will otherwise go to America."

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Philadelphia, Feb. 26.—Flour slow; winter superfine, \$2.25@2.50; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$3.19@3.25; city mills, extra, \$2.50@2.80. Rye flour dull at \$2.90@2.95 per barrel for choice Pennsylvania. Wheat steady; No. 2 red, spot, 77%@78c. Corn steady; No. 2 mixed, spot, 45%45%c.; No. 2 yellow, for local trade, 46%c. Oats strong; No. 2 white, offsped, \$3@33%c.; lower grades, 29@32c. May dull; choice timothy, \$16.50@17 for large bales. Beef quiet; beef hams, \$18.50@19. Pork dull; damliy, \$16.26 @16.75. Lard easier; western steamed, \$7.77%. Live poultry quoted at 10@10%c. for young chickens, 12@12c. for spring ducks, 9c. for turkeys and 10@110. for geese. Dressed poultry at \$1%@10c. for geese. Dressed poultry at \$1%@10c. for choice western fowls, 7%c. for old reesters, 12@13c. for choice western fowls, 7%c. for old reesters, 12@13c. for choice to fasco western ducks and 7@9c. for wistern by turkeys, 12@13c. for choice to fasco western ducks and 7@9c. for wistern geese. Butter steady; fresh creamery, 16@20%c.; imitamen creamery, 10%@15c.; lower for kalry, 13@22c. Cheese Bruiter steady; fresh creamery, 15@20%c.; imitamen creamery, 10%@15c.; lower for kalry, 13@22c. Cheese Bruiter steady; fresh creamery, 16w24c.; factory, 11@15c.; June creamery, 15w20c.; f